

# The Daily Courant.

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Tuesday, August 24 1703

London, August 23. To day came in the Mail from Holland of Tuesday last.

The Brussels Gazette of August 21, which came by the Neutral Countries, has the following Article.

From the Army of the 2 Crowns commanded by the Duke of Vendome encamped at Brentonego, Aug. 6.

ON the 30th of last Month the Count de Medavi attack'd the Enemies Retrenchments in the Valley of Leder, which he carried, after he had kill'd 70 of the Imperialists; a Captain and a Lieutenant of the Regiment of Nigrelli were taken Prisoners, with 80 Soldiers and a great number of Peasants. He march'd from thence to Riva, which at his approach the Enemy abandon'd: On the 1st of this Month the Count de Bifs; with a Detachment of Grenadiers possess'd himself of Torbole, without any opposition, and found in it 3 Pieces of Cannon. Then he advanc'd along the Mountains, and planted some Cannon on the Side of a Hill to batter the Castle of Nago, while Monsieur de Vaubecourt on his side took Post in the Village of Nago. Another Detachment seiz'd on the Village of Mori within 4 Miles of Roveredo, where was a Foundary in which were 1000 Bombs, and a great Quantity of Builders; as also a large Warehouse full of Leather which will serve to make Shooes for our Infantry. The Castle of Nago Surrender'd at Discretion on the 4th; in which were taken, besides the Governor, 100 Soldiers, and 350 Peasants, with 6 Pieces of Cannon. Yesterday the Castle call'd Castellarco was taken: In it was found the rich Furniture of the Count de Castellarco, which the Duke of Vendome gave the Soldiers leave to pillage; and order'd the Castle to be raz'd, by way of Reprisal for that Count's having raz'd several in the Mantuan. We have no other Obstacle to encounter till we come to Trent than the Town and Castle of Arco; which we are inform'd is much of the same Strength as Nago, but is defended by 700 Men of the Regiment of Nigrelli, commanded by the Lieutenant Colonel, and 20 Pieces of Cannon. To morrow the Army will march to attack it; and during the Siege, which will probably last some days, we hope the Elector of Bavaria will arrive at Trent, his March having been retarded only by his being oblig'd to turn back to revenge himself on some Gentlemen who had rais'd the Peasants.

The Advices by this Mail bring nothing new, relating to Tyrol or the Armies on the Danube.

Paris, August 17. On the 13th the Ambassador of Venice had Audience of the King, and, 'tis said, offer'd the Mediation of the Republick for negotiating a Peace, which his Majesty accepted. On the 14th a Courier arriv'd from the Duke of Burgundy, with Letters for his Majesty, to inform him, that on the 12th the Duke caus'd his Army to march in 5 Lines, and had given Orders to the Count de Marfin and the Marquis de Blanfac, to invest Old Brijack on the 12th at Night with 3000 Horse. The Count de Tholouse was to put to Sea on the 7th with 15 of the largest Men of War, victuall'd for 6 Months;

he will be joyn'd by some others that come from the West.

From the Amsterdam Courant, dated August 28.

Hulst, August 22. The Body of Troops commanded by the Marquis de Bedmar, being joyn'd by 10 Battallions and thereby reforc'd to 15000 Men, is come so near Monsieur Coehorn's Camp, that they can Cannonade each other.

From the Leiden Courant, dated August 29.

Hulst, August 26. The Enemy under the Marquis de Bedmar, on their arrival near this Place on the 22d, fell to work to repair their Lines, and on the 23d began to Fire upon our Camp from Batteries of heavy Cannon; but our Army was retir'd behind this Town, and continued there till to day, when our General order'd the Artillery and Baggage to be carried off, and at 2 in the Afternoon separated the Army; 4 Battallions and 1 Regiment of Horse are put into this Place, 2 Battallions are order'd to Lillo, 2 to the Island of Axel, and 3 to that of Cadfant.

From the Army of the Allies commanded by the Duke of Marlborough encamp'd at Val Notre Dame, Aug. 27. The Forts St. Joseph, Picard, and Rouge, being quit- ted to us, the several Batteries that had been rais'd against them were brought against the Castle, which did great Execution on the Enemy; and on the 25th Preparations were made for an Assault, and all the Batteries fir'd without intermission the whole Afternoon, which kill'd above 40 of the Enemy. At the same time our Troops advanc'd, and having under the cover of our Fire placed several Ladders at the Foot of the Castle, the Enemy thought we were coming to the Assault, tho' we design'd only to make a Feinte; and thereupon about 6 in the Evening beat a Parley, and offer'd to Surrender on Condition to march out to Namur with the usual Marks of Honour. Hereupon the Duke of Marlborough sent in a Message to Monsieur Millon the Governour, importing, that if the Garrison would Surrender Prisoners of War, all the Officers and Soldiers should retain whatever belong'd to them, and be exchang'd for a like Number of ours: But these Proposals being at first rejected, Orders were given for beginning the Attack again yesterday Morning; which the Governour perceiving, he accepted of the Terms offer'd him, and immediately a Detachment of our Troops took possession of the Castle. In the Evening the Garrison march'd out into the Town, from whence they will be conducted to Liege or Maestricht till the Exchange is settled. The whole Garrison of the Forts and of the Castle consisted of about 900 Men, commanded by 2 Brigadiers. In the Place was found a considerable Quantity of Ammunition and Provisions sufficient to have subsisted the Garrison above 14 days longer, but the Governour alledges his Men would hold out no longer, and compell'd him to Surrender. During the whole Siege we had but 18 Men kill'd, and besides some Officers wounded. On the 24th one of the Enemy's Parties of 25 Horse, with a Captain, 2 Lieutenants, and a Cornet, came so near our Camp, that the Grand Guard surrounded them, and took them all Prisoners, except the Captain who escap'd.

Hague,

*High and Mighty Lords !*

Your High Mightinesses most Humble, &c.

\* \* \* **A** The Seven Stars in the Cloysters,  
 \* \* \* during the Time of the Fair, will be  
 \* \* \* dispos'd of by way of Raffling or Sale, all  
 \* \* \* sorts of Plate, China and Tunbridge Ware,  
 by Elizabeth Boman.

**A** Conference with a Theist, in five Parts. Being a Defence of the Christian Religion, against the Objections of all sorts, which are advanced in Opposition to it by the Unbelievers. By *William Nicholls D. D.* Printed for *The. Bennet* at the Half Moon in *St. Paul's Church-yard.*